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TO

Enlarge the Jurisdiction in Admiralty Cases of the Recorders  
Courts of Cork and Belfast, and to provide for Payment of  
the Officers of said Courts. A.D. 1875.

**WHEREAS** it is expedient to extend the jurisdiction in Admiralty  
causes conferred by the Court of Admiralty (Ireland) Act,  
1867, upon the Courts of the Recorders of the boroughs of Cork  
and Belfast:

5 Be it therefore enacted by the Queen's most Excellent Majesty,  
by and with the advice and consent of the Lords Spiritual and  
Temporal, and Commons, in this present Parliament assembled, and  
by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Court of Admiralty (Ireland) Short title.  
10 Amendment Act, 1875.

2. The courts of the Recorders of the boroughs of Cork and  
Belfast shall have all the like civil and maritime jurisdiction (with  
all the powers and authorities relative thereto) as for the time being  
belongs to the High Court of Admiralty in Ireland (otherwise than  
15 by way of appeal) without limitation as to the amount or value of  
the money or thing in dispute where the action accrues, or the ship  
or goods to which the cause relates, is or are within the jurisdiction  
of the courts of the said recorders at the commencement of the  
proceedings. Extension of  
Jurisdiction  
in Admiralty  
causes to  
Cork and  
Belfast Re-  
corders  
Courts.

20 3. If any person take proceedings in the High Court of  
Admiralty which he might have taken in the courts of the  
recorders for the boroughs of Cork or Belfast he shall not be  
entitled to receive costs in the High Court of Admiralty, unless  
the damages recovered (exclusive of costs) shall exceed five  
25 hundred pounds, or the judge certify that the cause was one fit  
to be tried in the High Court of Admiralty, or unless the parties  
{Bill 206.}

Where pro-  
ceedings taken  
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and Belfast,  
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unless same  
recovered

2 *Court of Admiralty (Ireland) Act, 1867, Amendment.* [38 VICT.]

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recorders 2064,  
or judge  
certifies

Power to  
seize bill  
where ship  
or goods  
arrested.

Proceedings  
may be heard  
and deter-  
mined by  
civil bill pro-  
cess where  
amount in  
dispute does  
not exceed  
fifty pounds.

Extension of  
jurisdiction  
over ships  
and goods.

See 32 & 33  
Vict. c. 51,  
s. 2.

Salaries of  
officers of  
said courts.

Power to  
appoint  
mercantile  
assessors.  
See  
32 & 33 Vict.  
c. 51, s. 5.

to such proceedings agree by a memorandum signed by them or by their attorneys or agents that such proceedings should be taken in said Court of Admiralty.

4. Where a ship or goods within the jurisdiction of the courts of the recorders of Cork and Belfast is or are arrested under a warrant issuing out of the High Court of Admiralty (except in the case of final execution) hail may be given in the court of the recorder within whose jurisdiction the warrant shall have been executed, and in such cases all proceedings in reference to such hail and all objections to the proposed sureties shall be heard and determined by the said recorder who for this purpose shall have all the powers now exercised by the judge of the High Court of Admiralty.

5. All Admiralty causes within the jurisdiction of the courts of the recorders of the boroughs of Cork and Belfast may be heard and determined by civil bill process, where the amount or value of the money or thing in dispute shall not exceed fifty pounds, and the existing rules of the civil bill courts of the said recorders shall be applicable thereto.

6. The Court of Admiralty and the courts of the recorders of the boroughs of Cork and Belfast shall have jurisdiction and all powers and authorities relating thereto to try and determine causes as to any claim arising out of any agreement made in relation to the use of any ship, or in relation to the carriage of goods in any ship, and also as to any claim in tort in respect of goods carried in any ship.

7. The registrar, clerks, water bailiff (or local marshal), and servants of the said courts of the recorders of Cork and Belfast shall be entitled to such salaries or respective annual sums, by way of remuneration for the additional duty which they may have respectively to perform by virtue of this Act and the Court of Admiralty (Ireland) Act, as the said recorders, with the consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, shall appoint, *such sums to be paid out of the funds which Parliament may provide for that purpose.*

8. In any Admiralty or maritime cause in the said recorders courts of Cork or Belfast, the recorder may, if he thinks fit, or on the request of either party, be assisted by one or two persons of mercantile or nautical skill and experience to act as assessor or assessors, and all the provisions of the Court of Admiralty, Ireland,

Act with reference to nautical assessors shall apply to the appointment, approval, summoning, and remuneration of such mercantile assessors. A.D. 1875.

9. Save where altered by or inconsistent with this Act, the powers to make general orders, and for regulating practice and procedure, and also the provisions of the Court of Admiralty, Ireland, Act, 1867, applicable to local courts, shall apply to this Act.

Court of Admiralty (Ireland) Act, 1867,  
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*(Proposed and brought in by  
Mr. Murphy, Mr. James Curry, Mr. Deane,  
Mr. Dalton, Mr. Bowyer, and Mr. MacCarthy.)*

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*Under 1 oz.*